

# CALIFORNIA'S CROP PRODUCTION REPORT

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The latest survey, which was conducted during the first week of November, includes the following commodities:

**Corn** - *Corn* for grain production is expected to total 1.12 million tons, 18% higher than last year. Harvested acreage, at 235,000, is 15% above last year. The yield forecast is 4.76 tons per acre, up 3% from last year.

**Cotton** - *Upland cotton* production is forecast at 2.05 million bales as of November 1, unchanged from the October forecast and 30% above last year. This is based on 765,000 acres for harvest, with an average yield of 1,286 pounds per acre. The *American Pima* cotton production forecast is 370,000 bales, 39% below last year's crop. The 144,000 acres for harvest are down 40% from last year.

**Rice** - All *rice* production in California for 2000 is forecast to be 43.84 million cwt., up 19% from 1999. The yield forecast is 8,000 pounds per acre. Planted and harvested acreage remains at 550,000 and 548,000 acres, respectively.

**Sugar Beets** - The *sugar beet* production forecast is 3.22 million tons, down 5% from the 1999 crop. Acreage for harvest, at 96,000, is down 11%. The yield is forecast at 33.5 tons per acre, up 8% from 1999.

Production forecasts are released on a monthly basis and do not reflect final production estimates. Late summer and fall harvests may change these estimates considerably. The next production forecast will be issued December 12, 2000.